



## *I Invited | Points on the Path*

August 17 & 21 | Matt Anderson

### **WARM UP**

1. Who did you trust the most growing up?
2. What stood out to you in this week's message?

### **DIG IN**

3. Read Acts 8:26-39 out loud.
4. How did God use the Acts Church's problems to spread the Gospel (Acts 8:3-4)?
5. Why is it more effective to focus on encouraging people in their faith journey than to debate politics, sexuality or lifestyle? How did this approach cause Phillip to get invited to sit down with the eunuch to talk about Scripture?
6. What were the 3 ways we can be ready to encourage someone spiritually? Which item on the list is your greatest growth need at this point on your journey?

### **WRAP UP**

6. Thinking of the people in your life that may need spiritual encouragement or an invitation to Surprise, how can you cultivate depth with them in order to be invited to speak on a spiritual level?
7. Describe the Ducking Principle and why it's so important.

### **EXTRA CREDIT**

Read Acts 8:4-25

- What does Simon try to do in order to gain power & influence over others?
- How does Peter confront his flawed thinking with truth?
- Can you identify any principles that can be applied to your life today in terms of how we may wrongly try to gain influence compared to how God invites us to do so?



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**Announcements:**

- **Fall Marriage Retreat:** Register with the discount code EARLY by Sept 1:  
[EvolvingMarriage.net](http://EvolvingMarriage.net)
- ***Bring a Friend Sunday*** at Surprise: Sunday, Sept 11, 9:30 & 11 AM

Context of Acts 8

Acts 8:26-38

Our problems & God's plan:

God sends us on paths that lead to...

The Problem: We may be tempted...

People are on a faith journey...

3 ways to be ready:

We need other \_\_\_\_\_.

Cultivating depth:

The Ducking Principle:

Nate & Mike